

Stephen Sidney Schwartz, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Stephen A. Vaden, of Tennessee, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Hugh Nathaniel Halpern, of Virginia, to be Director of the Government Publishing Office.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—325) Pages S5869, S5875

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:10 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5905.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementing the 2018 Farm Bill, after receiving testimony from Stephen Censky, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.

FCC OVERSIGHT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on the spectrum auctions program, after receiving testimony from Ajit Pai, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; and Tom Schatz, Citizens Against Government Waste, and David Williams, Taxpayers Protection Alliance, both of Washington, D.C.

SYRIA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a closed hearing to examine the situation in Syria and the wider region, after receiving testimony from Mark T. Esper, Secretary, and General Mark A. Milley, USA, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

CFPB SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's semi-annual report to Congress, after receiving testimony from Kathleen L. Kraninger, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

IMPROVING SECURITY AT AMERICA'S AIRPORTS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Security concluded a hearing to examine improving security at America's airports, focusing on stakeholder perspectives, after receiving testimony from Tori Emerson Barnes, U.S. Travel Association, Lauren Beyer, Airlines for America, and Sara Nelson, Association of Flight Attendants–CWA, AFL–CIO, all of Washington, D.C.; Chris McLaughlin, Denver International Airport, Denver, Colorado; and Ken Cornick, CLEAR, New York, New York.

STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE STATUS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the status of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and related energy security issues, after receiving testimony from Linda Capuano, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; Steven E. Winberg, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Fossil Energy; Phillip Brown, Specialist in Energy Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Jason E. Bordoff, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs Center on Global Energy Policy, New York, New York; and Keisuke Sadamori, International Energy Agency, Paris, France.

REDUCING EMISSIONS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine reducing emissions while driving economic growth, focusing on industry-led initiatives, after receiving testimony from Todd Wilkinson, Redstone Feeders, LLC, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Frank Macchiarola, American Petroleum Institute, Marty Durbin, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Global Energy

Institute, and John K. S. Wilson, Calvert Research and Management, all of Washington, D.C.; and Andrea Dutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Gainesville, Florida.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2132, to promote security and provide justice for United States victims of international terrorism, with an amendment; and

The nominations of David B. Barlow, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, John Fitzgerald Kness, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, R. Austin Huffaker, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, Lee Philip Rudofsky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, Justin Reed Walker, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, and Eleni Maria Roumel, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 4710–4732; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 635–638 were introduced. **Pages H8226–27**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8228–29**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4387, to establish Growth Accelerator Fund Competition within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–238);

H.R. 4405, to amend the Small Business Act to improve the women's business center program, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–239);

H.R. 4406, to amend the Small Business Act to improve the small business development centers program, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–240);

H.R. 4407, to amend the Small Business Act to reauthorize the SCORE program, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–241); and

H. Res. 326, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding United States efforts to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict through a negotiated two-state solution, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–242). **Page H8226**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8203**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Pages H8206–07**

Securities and Exchange Commission Disclosure Effectiveness Testing Act: The House passed H.R. 1815, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission, when developing rules and regulations about disclosures to retail investors, to conduct investor testing, including a survey and interviews of

retail investors, by a yea-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 564. **Pages H8209–24**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–34, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–237, shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill. **Pages H8215–16**

Agreed to:

Casten (IL) amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 116–237) that clarifies that the term “retail investor” does not mean an institutional investor; and **Pages H8219–20**

Gottheimer amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 116–237) that requires the SEC to include a specific consideration of the unique challenges senior investors face as part of their overall investor testing (by a recorded vote of 240 yeas to 178 noes, Roll No. 562). **Pages H8217–18, H8220–21**

Rejected:

Huizenga amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 116–237) that sought to exempt Form CRS, a recently developed disclosure document that went through SEC investor testing, from the bill's investor testing requirements (by a recorded vote of 188 yeas to 229 noes, Roll No. 561); and **Pages H8216–17, H8220**

Wagner amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 116–237) that sought to apply the bill's investor testing requirements only to applicable disclosure documents developed after January 21, 2021 (by a recorded vote of 188 yeas to 230 noes, Roll No. 563). **Pages H8218–19, H8221–22**